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Newton County...

Bridge Reconstruction Requires Westbound Lane Closures on I-20

COVINGTON- The Georgia Department of Transportation wants the traveling public to be aware of a bridge reconstruction project affecting westbound Interstate 20 traffic near Exit 90. Olympus Painting Contractors will continue bridge joint repair this weekend on the I-20 bridge over the railroad and Old Atlanta Highway. Two lanes will be closed on I-20 westbound from mile 91 to mile 90, as well as the off ramp at Exit 90. The timeframe of work runs from **9 p.m. Friday, June 19 until 5 a.m. Monday, June 22.**

This \$3.3 million dollar maintenance job on the two interstate bridges crossing SR 12 and the Old Atlanta Highway includes reconstruction of new joint headers in the bridge deck; edge beam and end wall reconstruction; installation of bridge joints; spall repairs of the substructure; epoxy injection into substructure cracks; cap strengthening; repaired slope paving and painting of the existing steel substructure.

With traffic deaths up significantly compared to last year, Georgia DOT urges drivers to **DriveAlert ArriveAlive**, a campaign imploring motorists to wear their seatbelts, stay off the phone and focus on driving, especially in these work zones.

***DriveAlert ArriveAlive** calls attention to an alarming increase in roadway fatalities across Georgia, many resulting from preventable crashes and distracted driving. **DriveAlert ArriveAlive** implores motorists to buckle up; stay off the phone and no texting; and drive alert. Visit www.dot.ga.gov/DS/SafetyOperation/DAAA. #ArriveAliveGA*

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